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METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY SEPARATING LIVE CELLS EXPRESSING A SPECIFIC GENE

## SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

On May 30, 2002, applicants filed a response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2002. As part of the response, applicants submitted verified English language translations of Japanese patent applications Nos. 2000-028117 and 2000-130793. Applicants have become aware of an obvious typographical error in the listing of the presentation date (on the page immediately following the verification page) of the 2000-028117 application. The correct presentation date is February 4, 2000, as shown in the attached sheet.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.

Respectfully submitted,

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